AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at page 15, lines 16-18, as follows

9. A process according to any one of (1) to (8), characterized in that the α-1,2-mannosidase gene to be introduced is attached to a yeast endoplasmic reticulum (ER) retention signal (HDEL) (SEQ ID NO: 121).

Please amend the specification at the paragraph spanning page 87, line 25 to page 88, line 23, as follows:

Example 11 suggested that expression of α-1,2-mannosidase in the *Ogataea minuta* Δoch1 strain enabled the preparation of a Man5 producing yeast. So, *Ogataea minuta* Δoch1 strain in which α-1,2-mannosidase was expressed was prepared. The *Aspergillus saitoi*-derived α-1,2-mannosidase gene, which comprised a signal sequence of asperginopepsin I (apnS) at the amino terminus and a yeast endoplasmic reticulum (ER) retention signal (HDEL) (SEQ ID NO: 121) at the carboxyl terminus (J. Biol. Chem., *273* (1998) 26298), was used for expression. PCR by the primers:

5'-GGGGGGTCGACATGGTGGTCTTCAGCAAAACCGCTGCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:87); and

5'-GGGGGGCGGCCGCGTGATGTTGAGGTTGTTGTACGGAACCCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:88)

was performed using the plasmid pGAMH1 comprising the above described gene as a template ((94°C for 30 seconds, 50°C for 1 minute and 72°C for 30 seconds) × 20 cycles). The approximately 0.5-kb DNA fragment 5'-upstream of the amplified α-1,2-mannosidase gene was recovered, cleaved with SalI and NotI, and inserted into the SalI-NotI of the pBluescript II SK-. The nucleotide sequence of the DNA insert was determined and a clone comprising the correct nucleotide sequence was selected. The 1.2-kb BglII-NotI fragment downstream of the BglII site in the α-1,2-mannosidase gene isolated from the pGAMH1 was

inserted into the BglII-NotI of the obtained plasmid. This plasmid was named paMSN. The paMSN was cleaved with SalI and blunt-ended, and an XbaI linker was inserted thereinto. This plasmid was named paMXN. Separately, the paMSN was cleaved with NotI and blunt-ended, and a BamHI linker was inserted thereinto. The resultant plasmid was named paMSB. The 0.4-kb XbaI-BglII fragment upstream of the α-1,2-mannosidase gene isolated after cleaving the paMXN with XbaI-ApaI, and the 1.1-kb ApaI-BamHI fragment downstream of the α-1,2-mannosidase gene isolated after cleaving the paMSB with ApaI-BamHI, were inserted into the XbaI-BamHII of the pOMex1U described in Example (21-2) and of the pOMex3G described in Example (21-3), respectively, by three points ligation. The obtained plasmids were named pOMaM1U and pOMaM3G, respectively.